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SUBJ: SOVIET V-E CELEBRATIONS

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1. SOVIET AMBASSADOR RYKOV GAVE PRESS CONFERENCE MAY 5 IN WHICH, AFTER RECALLING SACRIFICES MADE BY USSR IN WORLD WAR II, "HE MENTIONED THAT HITLER'S OBJECTIVE WAS TO OBLITERATE THE SOVIET UNION, THEN THE ONLY SOCIALIST COUNTRY, AND POINTED OUT THAT (A SINGULAR CASE) THE WESTERN ALLIES OF THE USSR DID NOT OPEN THE WESTERN FRONT UNTIL 1944, THREE YEARS AFTER THE SURPRISE ATTACK ON THE SOVIET UNION BY THE NAZI TROOPS." THIS CARRIED IN ALL LOCAL PAPERS.

2. UK AMBASSADOR, FRENCH CHARGE AND I HAVE DECIDED THAT IN VIEW THIS GRATUITOUS REMARK IN PRESS CONFERENCE SETTING, WE SHOULD NOT ATTEND SOVIET RECEPTION WHICH BEING GIVEN MAY 9 AND TO WHICH WE HAVE BEEN INVITED. WE ARE SENDING OUR DEPUTIES. PARKER

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